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## High School Principals Hold Fourth Annual Conference

The high school principals of the state held their Fourth Annual Session at Tennessee A. and I. State College, June 26-27 under the direction of Mr. W. E. Turner and Mr. Dudley S. Tanner of the State Department of Education. The Conference theme was "Adapting the Program of the High School to Student and Community Needs." Among the speakers were Mr. R. R. Vance, State High School Supervisor, President W. J. Hale, A. and I. State College, Mr. Fred McCuiston of the Southern Association and Prof. C. W. Knudson of Peabody College for Teachers.

Group singing was led by Prof. Kurtys L. Clay. Group conferences were held with respect to pertinent problems.

The following is a list of the High School Principals, Teachers and County Supervisors who attended the Fourth Annual Teachers' Conference:

Prof. H. F. Taliaferro, Lincoln Jr. High School, 152 N. Killery St., Chattanooga  
Prof. A. H. Payne, Merry High School, Jackson  
Miss Helen S. Casey, Jeanes Supervisor, Shelby County  
Mrs. Susie B. Farrar, Jeanes Supervisor, Montgomery County  
Mrs. Stella Smith, Jeanes Supervisor, Maury County  
Prof. C. D. Haley, Millington, Tennessee  
Prof. Jacob B. Jones, Principal, Lewisburg  
Prof. Claude C. Bond, Principal, Montgomery High School, Lexington  
Mrs. W. P. Ware, Jeanes Supervisor, Fayette County  
Miss Shellie T. Northcutt, Jeanes Supervisor, Chester and Henderson Counties  
Mrs. Cordelia Norris, Jeanes Supervisor, Wilson County

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## Founder's Day Celebrated on June 21

Founder's Day was celebrated at A. and I. State College on Friday, June 21, at 10:00 a. m. with greetings from the Supreme Court of Tennessee by Judge W. L. Cooke and Judge D. W. DeHaven; by Mr. Dorsey Thomas, Secretary of Railroad and Public Utility Commission; Prof. T. R. Davis of the Austin High School, Knoxville; Mrs. Frankie Pierce, Colored Girls' Vocational School; Rev. W. S. Ellington, First Baptist Church, East Nashville; Attorney W. L. Porter, Knoxville; Prof. M. L. Morrison, Dyersburg; Prof. M. W. Reynolds, Pulaski; Dr. J. H. Hale, Nashville. A special musical pro-

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## Calendar For The Year 1935-36

### Fall Quarter, 1935

September 30, Monday—Fall Quarter Registration.

October 1, Tuesday—Fall Quarter classes begin

November 21, Thursday—Thanksgiving Holiday

December 20, Friday—Fall Quarter closes

### Winter Quarter, 1935-36

December 21, Saturday—Winter Quarter Registration

March 13, Friday—Winter Quarter Closes

### Spring Quarter, 1936

March 14, Saturday—Spring Quarter Registration

March 18, Monday—Class work begins

April 25, Saturday—Registration for the Second Term

April 27, Monday—Class work begins for the Second Term

May 31, Sunday—Baccalaureate Exercises

June 5, Friday—Twenty-fourth Commencement Exercises

### Summer Quarter, 1936

June 6, Saturday—Registration for the

## Jeanes Supervisors Hold Two-Weeks' Conference

The Jeanes Supervisors held a two weeks' conference at Tennessee A. and I. State College beginning Monday, June 17 and ending Friday, June 27. Recreational features of the session were a banquet in the College Cafeteria, a Swimming Party, and a trip to The Hermitage. The program of instruction included courses in administration and supervision, special instruction in the teaching of spelling in the elementary school, observation in the model Demonstration School and participation in the Educational Seminar.

Mrs. F. A. Sanders had general charge of the work and was assisted by the following members of the faculty as lecturers: Miss Zelma L. Redmond, Prof. M. R. Eppse, Prof. A. V. Boswell, Director G. W. Gore, Jr., Miss L. M. Averitte, Prof. F. J. Henry, Miss M. J. Brooks, Miss C. H. Lapsley. Mrs. R. B. J. Campbelle was elected Chairman of the Supervisors and Miss Katye Bogan was elected Secretary. Dr. J. H. Dillard was a guest speaker of the Conference.

The following is the list of County Supervisors and Principals who attended the County Supervisor Conference at A. and I. State College:

Supervisors:—Mrs. E. P. Hall, Mrs. Lucile Williams, Mrs. W. P. Ware, Miss Helen Casey, Miss Lula Robb, Miss Vivian Crawford, Mrs. G. A. Cash, Mrs. Mamie L. Starnes, Mrs. Albura H. Fagala, Mrs. M. R. Campbelle, Mrs. A. M. Dobbins, Mrs. Susie B. Farrar, Mrs. Kathryn Allen, Mrs. Cordelia Norris, Mrs. Mary Hardy, Miss Katy L. Bogan, Miss Gertrude Lacy, Miss Ernestine Jackson, Miss Frankie Davis, Miss Shellie Northcutt, Miss Johnnie Baker, Miss Picola E. Smith, Mr. J. H. White.

### Summer Quarter

June 8, Monday—Class work begins

July 17, Friday—End of Summer Session.

Tenn. State Univ.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

## HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS HOLD FOURTH ANNUAL

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Mrs. E. P. Hall, Jeanes Supervisor, Sumner Co.  
 Prof. G. A. Thompson, Principal, Maury Co.  
 Prof. G. W. Brooks, Principal Decatur Co. Training School  
 Prof. E. H. Washington, Jeanes Supervisor, Arkansas  
 Prof. R. C. Childress, State Supervisor, County Training Schools  
 Prof. M. T. Malone, Principal, Dunbar High School, Savannah  
 Prof. McAdams Sloan, Principal, Collinsville High School, Collinsville.  
 Prof. Vivian Crawford, Supervisor, McNairy, Hardin and Wayne Cos.  
 Miss Mary M. Hardy, Supervisor, Dyer Co.  
 Prof. J. B. Olinger, Principal, Rockwood  
 Prof. Albert H. Howell, Principal, Kingsport  
 Prof. John H. Baird, Principal, Carthage  
 Prof. M. M. Jones, Registrar, Lane College.  
 Prof. J. H. White, Principal, Allen-White High School, Whiteville  
 Prof. Isaiah Suggs, Nashville  
 Prof. Ross B. Cheairs, Parsons  
 Prof. J. Thomas Caruthers, College Hill High School, Columbia  
 Prof. W. E. Nash, Principal, Cook High School, Athens  
 Prof. T. R. Davis, Principal, Austin High School, Knoxville  
 Prof. T. R. Hartsfield, Gibson Co. Training School, Milan  
 Dr. C. E. Tucker, President, Swift Memorial College, Rogersville  
 Prof. W. P. Ware, Fayette Co. Training School, Somerville  
 Prof. S. G. Greene, Holloway High School, Murfreesboro  
 Prof. M. L. Dabney, Bernard High School, Centerville  
 Prof. I. H. Hampton, Principal, Franklin Training School, Williamson Co.  
 Prof. J. J. Bills, Principal, Training School, Fulton  
 Prof. S. W. Harris, Principal, Shelbyville  
 Prof. R. J. Roddy, Principal, Shelby Co. Training School, Lucy  
 Prof. S. H. Johnson, Principal, Lauderdale Co. Training School, Ripley  
 Prof. W. J. Davenport, Principal, How-



PRES. W. J. HALE  
 Welcomed and Gave Leadership to Summer Educational Conference.

ard High School, Chattanooga  
 Prof. J. E. Wood, Principal, Bernard High School, McMinnville  
 Prof. M. L. Morrison, Principal, Bruce High School, Dyersburg  
 Prof. B. L. Gilmore, Principal, Madison Co. Training School, Denmark  
 Prof. U. L. Knox, Principal, College Hill High School, Cleveland  
 Prof. T. A. Clark, Bruce High School, Dyersburg  
 Prof. F. E. Jeffries, Principal, Brownsville  
 Prof. T. E. Hoffmann, Principal Co. Training School, Charlottesville, Va.  
 Mrs. U. L. Knox, College Hill High School, Cleveland  
 Mrs. K. L. Allen, Supervisor, Bedford, Marshall Cos.  
 Mrs. Lucille E. Williams, Supervisor, Clay, Overton, Putnam, DeKalb Cos., Cookeville  
 Mrs. A. H. Fagala, Supervisor, Hamilton Co., Chattanooga  
 Mrs. F. A. Dobbins, Supervisor, Madison, Jackson  
 Prof. A. L. Dickerson, Home Ec. Teacher, Lauderdale Co.  
 Prof. Kurtys L. Clay, Principal, McReynolds High School, South Pittsburgh  
 Prof. William Hale, Jr., A. and I. State College, Nashville  
 Prof. William Jackson, Principal, Fayetteville  
 Prof. L. W. Henderson, Principal, E. 5th St., Chattanooga

## FOUNDER'S DAY CELEBRATED ON JUNE 21

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gram was rendered by the Concert Singers under the direction of Miss Marie J. Brooks. A huge birthday cake with 23 candles was presented President W. J. Hale who has been at the head of the college every since its beginning. Telegrams and other greetings from throughout the state were read.

Interracial League Held Annual Session.

The Annual meeting of the Tennessee Interracial League was held at A. and I. State College at 2:00 p. m. on Friday, June 21, with President W. J. Hale presiding. The meeting took the form of a testimonial to Dr. J. E. Clark who for a number of years served as chairman of the Tennessee Interracial Commission and tributes of respect were paid to the late Dr. C. V. Roman and Dr. J. A. Lester, active members and workers in the Interracial League. Among the speakers were Judge J. H. DeWitt, Davidson County; Dr. S. L. Smith, Southern Director of the Rosenwald Fund; Mr. D. S. Tanner, State Agent of Negro Schools; Mr. R. E. Clay, Secretary, Interracial League and Mr. G. W. Gore, Jr., Director of Instruction, A. and I. State College. Dr. J. E. Clark was presented for remarks. By unanimous consent, President W. J. Hale was re-elected president of the League, Mr. R. E. Clay, Secretary, and Dr. J. C. Napier, Treasurer. Resolutions were adopted commending local county, state and federal officials for the impartial execution of their offices and requesting that further and more liberal representation be granted in community programs in proportion to the population of the two races.

## SUMMER SENIOR EXAMINATION HELD IN JUNE

The Senior Comprehensive Examination was held on Thursday and Friday, June 27-28, in the College Auditorium with 32 candidates for the Bachelor of Science degree participating. The first day was a three-hour period devoted to a test of general information and major and minor fields. The second day was a three-hour period devoted to the divisions of the major fields.



# LITERARY PAGE

ESSAY

POETRY

HUMOR



## A POEM

Dedicated to the History Department

### "I Am History"

1. I am the song of the universe.
2. I keep the records of the past.
3. I neither praise nor abuse.
4. I am the harmonies of the earth.
5. I am the power of the earth and celestial bodies.
6. I am the voice of the reasoning power of the eternal love of God.
7. I recorded the song of Solomon and the Psalms of David.
8. Men can neither profit nor gain without my assistance.
9. I both inflame and soothe.
10. I bring sweet dreams of yesteryear and the childhood of all things.
11. I soothe the vanquished in defeat, and cheer the victor in success.
12. I contrast the success and failure of the present with those of the past.
13. "Without me ye can do nothing."
14. I sometimes melt the audience to tears.
15. I am purity and truth relating facts only.
16. I am the promoter of art and the enlightenment of all generations.
17. I am the kind words of advice handed down from the father to the son of ages and generations.
18. I am the thoughts of artists who work only for the betterment of humanity.
19. I am the inspiration of the human soul.
20. I deeply touch the hearts and souls; and am deeply felt by both friend and foe.
21. I am not selfish or unfair, omitting or overestimating.
22. I have no respect of persons; I record good and evil of both rich and poor.
23. I cannot exist on anything but facts and truth.

I am History.

—Bonnie Leabough.

## 'THE LITERATI CLUB DUO' PRESENTS READINGS FOR VACATION

The summer session of A. and I. State College has been especially marked by the presentation of many highly educational and inspirational programs given during the chapel periods. On July 1, 1935, the Literati Club Duo made its contribution to the session by presenting the following program:

Song ..... Assembly  
 Devotions ..... Mr. T. Adair  
 Presentation Literati Club Duo  
 ..... Mrs. A. Officer  
 History of Literati Club Duo  
 ..... Miss H. B. Allen  
 Piano Solo ..... Mrs. L. M. Clay  
 Vacation Readings  
 ..... Mrs. Virgie E. Mason

Reading .... Mr. Herman J. D. Carter  
 The participants received many commendations of praise concerning the excellent quality of the program. Of especial note was the masterly presentation of "Vacation Readings" by Mrs. V. E. Mason. Books and periodicals, suitable for every discriminating taste, were discussed and recommended in such an interesting manner that all were inspired to profitable and entertaining reading. Miss H. B. Allen very effectively gave The history and aims of The Literati Club Duo, whose major purpose is to stimulate teachers to go back to their schools and organize Junior Literati Clubs which will lay the foundations for worthy aspiration in the correct use of English, in creative literature, and in an appreciation for the finer ideals of life.

July 1, might well have been called Literati Day. In the afternoon the members of the Club gathered in front of the Library and grouped themselves around the Club Pin for a picture. Mrs. Martha M. Brown, librarian, President W. J. Hale, both honorary members of the Literati Club, and Dr. J. H. Hale, the school physician, posed with the group.

The Literati Club Duo, ever mind-

ful of the fact that constant growth is essential to the progress of an organization, added the following new members to its roll: Helen Bernice Allen, Virgie E. Mason, Alice R. Procter, Marie Roberts, Vivian Crawford, M. R. Camphbelle, Louia O. Cooper, J. B. Olinger, E. W. Davis, Helen P. Rose, Muriel Craven, Thomas Adair, Laura M. Clay, and Dorothy Hawkins.

## OFFICERS FOR THE SUMMER

Mrs. Virgie E. Mason.....President  
 Miss Alice R. Proctor....V.-President  
 Miss H. Bernice Allen.....Secretary  
 Miss O'Neal Clark.....Asst. Sec.  
 Mrs. R. B. J. Camphbelle....Cor. Sec.  
 Mr. Thomas Adair.....Treasurer  
 Mrs. L. M. Clay.....Reporter  
 Miss Z. L. Redmond.....Advisor

The Literati Club is confident that the new members will contribute much to its success and that they will develop the true spirit of the Club as it is expressed in the club motto:

"Great Oaks from Little Acorns Grow."

## TOPICS IN BRIEF

### "REVEREND MOMENTS"

Many mornings have I sat,  
 And felt this roof,  
 Come crashing down,  
 From the rumbling of a dreadful  
 Pulsing under tone,  
 Crackling papers,  
 Echoes the sounds of popping,  
 Livid coals,  
 Consuming, devouring;  
 Roaring louder and louder  
 Like the billows of the sea  
 Agitated by some demon  
 That rages from the deep.  
 Or yet, the tempest that blows  
 unceasing, rushing,  
 Devastating in its might.  
 In the end I shake,  
 To find myself still safe,  
 With the drone of voices,  
 Mumbling, grumbling, Humming Bees  
 and Braying Jacks.

—G. Jeter.



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THE PRINTER

The Printer—Thru countless cen-  
turies of old times, from pyramid build-  
ing to cathedral building, civilization  
limped along, dragging one foot wearily  
after the other, unmindful of passing  
years, ignorant of the thought world,  
and not suspecting the possibilities of  
the common man. Then came the print-  
er, heaven appointed prophet of the new  
ages to be, opening the doors to worlds  
unknown. Civilization leaped forward,  
alive and eager, romping thru the  
years, scattering new ideas with a  
prodigal hand as seeds into the fertile  
soil of human possibility. Today, thanks  
to the printed word, the common man,  
conscious of his power, may look upon  
a broader horizon than did the wisest  
men of old. Tomorrow, perchance, the  
sky will brighten into an unclouded  
day in human progress—a day more  
worthy of the cumulative efforts of the  
ages.—Waldo Pondray Warren, thru  
the courtesy of the Reading Paper  
Mills.

CORRESPONDENCE ON FOUND-  
ER'S DAY

June 20, 1935.

Dear President Hale:  
The heights of great men reached and  
kept  
Were not attained by sudden flight,  
But they, while their companions slept,  
Were toiling upward in the night.  
It has been a privilege to see you  
climb these heights; a privilege to fol-  
low you in your climb, and I rejoice

with you as you look back over almost  
a quarter of a century and see this won-  
derful institution and its influence  
wielded throughout the country.

My prayer is that you may live long  
to serve your people, and that many  
may catch the light from the torch you  
have lifted and are still lifting so  
high.

Sincerely yours,  
Martha M. Brown.

President W. J. Hale:

Greetings, on Founder's Day to one  
we can never repay.

—Home Economics Department

SMITH HUGHES WORKERS HOLD  
ANNUAL MEETING

A special conference of teachers of  
vocational Smith-Hughes Agriculture  
was held at the College, June 24-29,  
under the direction of Mr. Frate Bull  
and Prof. W. S. Davis. Dr. H. O. Sar-  
gent, Federal Supervisor of Voca-  
tional Education, attended meetings  
of the Conference and aided the  
teachers in outlining a program for  
1935-36. The following persons were  
in attendance:

Messrs R. J. Roddy, Lucy, Ten-  
nessee; J. R. McDaniel, Lebanon; E.  
N. Koonce, Alamo; McAdams Sloan,  
Colliersville; G. E. Hoffman, Arling-  
ton; F. E. Jeffries, Brownsville; Ned  
Rawls, Bolivar; H. B. Pratt, White-  
ville; Charles H. Neal, Jefferson  
City; G. W. Brooks, Decaturville; L.  
W. Wells, Covington; O. J. Armour,  
White Haven; W. L. Threlkeld,  
Dyersburg; S. H. Johnson, Ripley; E.  
R. Shockley, Arlington; C. D. Haley,  
Millington; W. P. Ware, Somerville;  
S. F. Dobbins, Mason; B. L. Gilmore,  
Denmark; I. R. Branham, Mason.

SMITH REED HOME ECONOMICS  
TEACHERS MEET AT A. AND I.

The Smith-Reed Home Economics  
Teachers held a Conference with Miss  
Margaret Browder, State Super-  
visor of Home Economics, in the  
Women's Building on June 21-22.  
Problems in the teaching of Home  
Economics in Tennessee were dis-  
cussed and plans were made for  
1935-36. The following persons were in  
attendance: Miss Nettie Hudgens, Miss  
Evelyn O. Washington, Miss Nelda Mc-  
Lin, Miss Clara Greenlow, Miss Marga-

ret Harlan, Mrs. Myrtle Roberts  
Moore, Miss Myrtle Robinson, Miss  
Loretta Fugua, Miss Ethelyn Hun-  
ter, Miss Alline Foster.

SPEAKERS AT THE SUNDAY  
SCHOOL FORUM

Sunday, June 9,—Prof. D. A. Forbes  
Sunday, June 16,—Prof. Kurtys Clay  
Sunday, June 23,—Mr. R. B. J. Camp-  
belle  
Sunday, June 30,—Prof. Bertram W.  
Doyle  
Sunday, July 7,—Prof. Merl R. Eppse

HOFFMAN ST. MARY'S CONDUCTS  
GIGANTIC EDUCATIONAL PRO-  
GRAM

1023 Participated

One thousand twenty-three Negroes  
of Tipton and adjoining counties came  
to this meeting.

Lane College Jackson, Tennessee,  
All Elementary Schools of Tipton Co.,  
were guests.

Director, F. N. Tharpe, Social  
Science Dept., St. Mary's was founder  
of this movement to stimulate the  
Negro Youth of Tipton County to  
stay in school and appreciate the fac-  
ilities of the County School System.

Mason Tennessee, March 18, 1935.  
One of the largest Educational Meet-  
ings ever to be held in this county  
was held at Hoffman St. Mary's I. I.  
Our Supt. Mr. McClannahan gave a  
half Holiday to those Negro Principals  
who wanted to take a part and carry  
their students.

Dr. Rogers, Dean of Divinity  
School Lane College was the Princi-  
pal Speaker who gave an inspiring  
speech in the form of a talk request-  
ing the young Negroes to be good cit-  
izens, work and encourage their pa-  
rents to pay taxes.

Lane College Glee Club furnished  
the music which was highly appre-  
ciated.

Many persons of note in the Edu-  
cational Field were present as:  
Dr. Rogers, Lane College  
Dean Paul, University of Wisconsin  
Mr. Jones, Registrar Lane College  
Mrs. Stephens, Dr. of Music Lane  
College.  
Mrs. Davis, U. S. Specialist in Edu-  
cation, Washington D. C.  
Dr. G. A. Stams, Prin. Hoffman St.  
Mary's.

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CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR 1935-36  
STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPART-  
MENT OF EDUCATION

PROGRAM FOURTH ANNUAL  
HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS  
AND TEACHERS' CONFERENCE

A. and I. State College, Nashville, Tenn.  
June 26 and 27, 1935.

Conference Theme: Adapting The Pro-  
gram of the High School to Student  
and Community Needs

W. E. Turner, Presiding

Wednesday, June 26

Morning Session—Opens 8:15

Group Singing—Led by Prof. Kurtys  
L. Clay, Principal, Wallace-Smith High  
School, Sparta

Devotional—Dr. W. C. Hargrave,  
Principal, Swift Memorial Junior Col-  
lege High School, Rogersville.

Address—"The Reorganization of the  
High School Curriculum"—Mr. R. R.  
Vance, State High School Supervisor,  
State Department of Education, Nash-  
ville.

Discussion

Address—"The Place the State Col-  
lege Occupies in Assisting the High  
School to Adapt its Program to the  
Needs of the Community"—President  
W. J. Hale, A. and I. State College,  
Nashville.

Discussion.

Wednesday, June 26

Afternoon Session

Opens—1:00 P. M.

Address—"How the School Curricu-  
lum Can Be Adapted to the Needs of  
Those Who Fail The Regular Curricu-  
lum or Drop Out of School"—Dr. C. W.  
Knudsen, Professor of Secondary Edu-  
cation, George Peabody College for  
Teachers, Nashville.

Discussion.

Meeting of the Conference Groups.

Thursday, June 27

Morning Session—Opens 8:15

Group Singing—Led by Prof. Kur-  
tys L. Clay, Principal, Wallace-Smith  
High School, Sparta.

Devotional—Prof. F. M. Dickey, Prin-  
cipal, Weakley County Training School,  
Martin.

Address—"Requirements for High  
Schools to Meet in Order to be Ap-  
proved by the Southern Association of  
Secondary Schools and Colleges"—Mr.  
Fred McCuiston, Executive Agent, As-  
sociation of Secondary Schools and  
Colleges of the Southern States, Nash-  
ville.



MRS. HATTIE E. HALE

Presides at Better Homes Day Program; now pursuing graduate  
studies in Columbia University, New York City.

Discussion.

Address—"Are the High Schools of  
the South Meeting Their Obligations to  
Students and Communities?"—Dr. Ar-  
thur D. Wright, President, Jeanes and  
Slater Funds, Washington, D. C.

Discussion.

Meeting of Conference Groups.

Afternoon Session

Opens—1:00 P. M.

Reports by Conference Group Chair-  
men.

General Discussion.

Memorial Service—Led by Prof. M.  
L. Morrison, Principal, Bruce High  
School, Dyersburg.

WITH THE LITERATIAN  
REVELERS

"There was a sound of reveling by  
night,  
And Belgium's capital had gathered  
them  
Her Beauty and her Chivalry, and  
bright  
The lamps shone o'er fair women and  
brave men;  
A thousand hearts beat happily; and  
when  
Music arose with its voluptuous swell,  
Soft eyes look'd love to eyes which  
spake again,  
And all went merry as a marriage bell."





W. S. DAVIS  
Conducts Coaching School

Byron's description of a ball in Belgium's capital the night before the battle of Waterloo in 1815 beautifully describes a similar occasion in Tennessee's Capital in 1935; for members of the Literati Club together with their friends enjoyed a Cherry Blossom Dance in the Little Theatre on the campus of A. and I. State College on the evening of April 5th.

Spring herself visited the revelers' garden. She brought with her cherry trees breathing sweet delicate perfume from their pale pink and white blossoms; she dropped cherry blossoms into the lattice work of the trellis guarding the entrance to the garden, and as she waved her magic wand about her, the acorn-shaped pin of the club with its blue cups and gold saucers cast blue and gold beams of light over the garden.

Nor did the magic spell wrought by Spring stop there; it went even further. It dressed the young ladies of the club in crisp organdy of pastel shades, put into their hands large squares of gossamer, and placed over their hearts a natural acorn, the emblem of the club; and it dressed the young men of the club in white flannel trousers, dark coats, and white shoes and placed over their hearts natural acorns also.

To make the spell complete the nymph of Spring bade the Tennessee State Collegians to let fairy strains of music fall on the ears of the merry revelers as they tripped the light fan-

tastic toe until time for intermission.

Although the revelers were enjoying themselves immensely, they willingly paused in the midst of their merry-making to witness a program presented by the best talent of the Literati Club. The first number was a bewitching dance by Baby Literati, little Miss Chloe Zelma Cravens, the daughter of one of the Literatians. Dressed in a sky-blue costume and a matching cap, the elf-like child enchanted the on-lookers so delightfully that they gave her an encore. The next number was a rendition of "St. Louis Blues" by the famous Mills Brothers of the campus, Messrs. Andrew C. Williams, Jack Robinson, June Broadnax and Alex Matthews. The loud applause after this number ushered in the next number, a departure from the torrid jazz to the classic. Miss Jewell Watson, dressed in a fancy navy blue costume, with the grace and charm that only nymphs possess, gave the revelers a living picture of Ruth St. Dennis and her interpretation of a balloon dance. For an encore number, Miss Watson and our guest artist, Miss Gwendolyn Hale enchanted the audience even more with the rendition of another lovely dance. Then a little fairy, Miss Cravens, entered the garden, strewing cherry blossoms in her path. Following in her wake were Miss Literati, Miss Geneva C. Hodges, arrayed in all her splendor—a saintly gown and a coronet of blue and gold, and Miss Majorie Smith, in flowing gown of purest white, portraying the spirit of the Literati Club. As Miss Smith gave a verbal interpretation of the spirit of the club, Miss Hodges gave an aesthetic interpretation, the combination giving a lasting impression of beauty and truth. Following this two-fold performance was the club song. To end the period of intermission, the president, Miss Delorah B. Jordan, on behalf of the club, presented to Miss Zelma L. Redmond, the founder and adviser of the club, a bouquet of rose buds in appreciation for her diligent work with the club. After Miss Redmond expressed her thanks in a few but very effective words, the members of the club and their sweethearts danced to a number dedicated to them. As they wound in and out among each other, the silver-tongued orator of the club, Mr. Andrew C. Williams, introduced the executives of the Literati



ROBERT E. CLAY,  
Executive Secretary of State Inter-racial League and Better Homes Movement.

Club. Then followed the grand march for the souvenirs by the entire group of revelers. The souvenirs were blue and gold pencils with contrasting silken tassels and bearing the stamp of the club. More music—more dancing until the night was well spent.

Special guests of the Literatians were the debaters of Arkansas State College, Messrs. Cleveland Christophe, Lawrence Davis and George Banks, and their coach, Mr. Robert Stewart; the debaters of our own college, Messrs. James Nelms, James Lacy and Charles Nilon; members of our faculty, Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Mason, Dr. and Mrs. S. H. Freeman, Mr. K. Gardner and Miss Wilhemina Bradford of Atlanta, Prof. and Mrs. Giles A. Hubert, Mrs. G. S. Dillingham and Director G. W. Gore. Other special guests were President and Mrs. W. J. Hale, their children, Prof. William J. Hale, Miss Gwendolyn Hale and Mr. Edward H. Hale, and Mrs. W. H. Hodgkins, the mother of Mrs. Hale. So seldom is the entire Hale family present at an occasion that the Literati Club felt highly honored to have all the family as guests.

When the clock struck twelve, the revelers were bidding their adieus, regretting the fact that they must part but rejoicing in the fact that they had enjoyed a glorious evening.

Ruth M. Stuart, News Reporter.

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President Hale, members of the graduating class, friends—After the very generous introduction, I couldn't help but think of a story about President Taft. The ambition of his life was to get thin, and he had a friend who would meet him and say, "Bill, you are getting thin." To this he would answer, "I know it isn't so, but I do like to hear you say it."

There was a statement in the invocation that set the tone for the graduating class. This reminded us that this world is a world of confusion. I don't suppose that graduating classes have ever gone out in greater confusion than this since 1930... There have been more prophets of disaster since 1929 than ever before.

I have made a collection during the past few years of statements and comments that have been said about citizenship. We have heard that we are headed away—straight to disaster ..... Every other bed in all hospitals (it is said) is occupied by persons of sick minds. I tell you that so that when you go to the hospital, you will pick out the other bed. (smiles). Popular government in this country is threatened by hypocrisy. Within one hundred million years, New York will be under water. Pike's Peak is now six inches shorter than it once was. (Everything is being reduced. Some of the causes of wheat reduction, a greater reduction since the days of Shakespeare are given as: Communism, decrease of religious belief, and Paris fashions. I can understand the last reason—Paris fashions—because as Paris declared the vogue of slender figures and advised dieting with a reduction of bread, hence, the reduction in the price of wheat.

During the last few years, the economist has become an important figure in our civilization. An economist is a man who knows a great deal about a very great many things, and goes on knowing more about less, until finally he knows everything about nothing. On the contrary, a college professor knows a very little about a great many things, and goes on knowing less about more, until finally he knows nothing about everything.

Once a man thought he could speak

a lot about domestic intranquility and could remove that condition by two public speeches. So he gave one for men only and one for women only. In his speech to the women he said that the men never grow up and advised the women (wives) to humor them (their husbands) and mother them. In asking whether or not they were going to try to follow this advice, only one woman stood up. "That's the spirit, here's one lady who will mother her husband." "I am very sorry," said the lady, "I thought you said 'go home and smother him.'" When speaking to the men, he advised them to "behave toward your wife a you did while courting her." "You ought to kiss your wife occasionally. "How many men have kissed your wives this month?" At the close of this speech, one man went home and kissed his wife. She wept. When he asked her the trouble, she replied: "Our boy broke his leg at school, the washing was returned dirty, and now you have come home drunk."

People who tried to give some advice, to graduating classes, have said a lot of interesting things. I have made a list from the big newspapers and magazines of some of the statements made. President Lowell of Harvard University (1933) said "the weary and distressed world needed, above everything else, broad sympathizers and sound thinkers." He pointed out also that graduates ought to try to hold on to themselves, keep calm and try to see things in their true proportion .... It is not (helpful) advisable to be perturbed by fear, nor by the outcry (outcries) of the panicky outside world. Three hundred young women were told that they ought to try to do something about this world.

Cornell—(distressed affliction)—Astrology in Business, buncum in (politics) and superstition in daily life.....

Smith—(College)—putting economic spiritual paralysis, moral inertia, est is a dangerous thing to do.

Yale—The world has suffered from spiritual paralysis, moral inertia. People have become very much disturbed about this world. Columbia University—the social order rests upon a moral rather than an economic foundation. Lucretius (the Roman poet and philosopher) said that "a common ship wreck is a con-

solation to all." Common dangers generally bring common agreement... We have paid a high price in this country to learn. Human beings may properly organize their lives... Many men and women have found this world empty ..... a saddened world, a confused world, perhaps also a disappointed world ..... Many of you will go into educational work.

A city had two social institutions—a college and an insane asylum—with similar architecture. Some persons once became confused as to the campus on which they had gone. A man on the asylum side remarked, "No, this is not the college. People who come here have to show some improvement before we let them out." The American schools have done very little to mould character. There is a missing link between character and education. Fresh responsibilities have been brought to the teachers of today .. An emergency—is an additional reason for maintaining our educational work in its unimpaired vitality. Teachers have maintained a faith in childhood and in their work—elevated above the purely materialist. The teachers of this country, both white and black, have set good examples, maintained fellowship, probably with more ability than otherwise ..... During the recent struggles, they have maintained the belief that faith in childhood in Youth.....

RUIN and RECOVERY are alike from within. We talk a great deal about Recovery. I am asking you whether Recovery is sufficient. Is it not rather reconstruction of our home, a re-examination of what we have been doing, a reassessment—a more oppressing need? Thinking under compulsion is likely to continue only under compulsion and never sustain without an action of will.

Finally, if you do go out to teach, remember, we cannot remain indifferent to social needs. .... We must know that great teachers are more than technically prepared teachers. These (sad) years have served to teach us the need for storing up in our educational life spiritual rather than material traits. We have learned just this lesson: We must know that it is not the material (part—or material advantages) of education that counts (count) ..... Sometimes in a shipwreck, great loss of life has been prevented by a few men and women



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who haven't lost their heads. The world is changed and conditions are changed, ideas are changed. This statement is only partially true—We must distinguish between the (eternal) and the temporary. Personal characters of human beings are the most important—the personal standards of humans. These are not temporary, but are the cardinal virtues. Freedom from prejudice, both personal and otherwise—mankind will and can learn to (drop) for the general welfare, but it will never learn to do so if it loses its moral qualities. What is a citizen's first duty—it is to preserve untarnished his own integrity. The dangers which chase us are more perilous than before. Not all men are tigers and apes. We still have too many (of these) among men, however.

The history of education in this country is merely the history which men (have made). This achievement can be made again *homo sapiens*—(of the same knowledge, a whole hand)—otherwise I would have said, *homo sapiens*. We must prepare—claims of the future will represent—the sufferer. . . . .the youth of a nation represent the trustees of prosperity.

Dr. S. L. Smith— You have a great task ahead of you if you keep pace with what some of these graduates

## REGIONAL RECREATION INSTITUTES FOR PLAY LEADERS

### Five Centers Selected

New York, June 17th:—The National Recreation Association, in the continuance of its field service to communities throughout America, has announced the completion of special arrangements in its educational program covering five institutes of one week each in as many regional centers; the purpose being to make available to recreation workers in the sections selected an opportunity to receive leadership training in activities incidental to that field. The five cities selected for the institutes are: Nashville, Tenn., June 24-29th; Birmingham, Ala., July 6th; New Orleans, La. July 8-13th; Greensboro, N. C., July 15-20th; Richmond Va., July 22-27th. No tuition is charged but the students must apply for registration and, if accepted, a registration fee of a dollar will be accepted to assist in the cost of material to be distributed and printed matter used in connection with the course. The institute invites workers in recreation among colored groups, including: (a) Persons engaged in emergency education and recreation relief projects or leaders of agencies offering programs and facilities for recreation and informal education on a community wide, unrestricted basis. The institutes are intended primarily for emergency workers without previous training; (b) Workers responsible for programs administered by recreation departments in connection with municipal or school systems; (c) Volunteers with special talent or interest in club or group activities, now giving effective service in education-recreation activities; (d) Extension workers or relief leaders now serving or to be assigned to rural education-recreation programs.

The staff for these institutes will be composed primarily of members of the field and teaching staff of the National Recreation Association and of professional recreation and educational leaders locally.

The chief topics and activities to be covered will be led by; Theory, Organization and Administration of Recreation—Ernest T. Atwell; Drama Activities—Charles F. Wells; have done who have gone out from here.



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Social Recreation and Women and Girls' Activities—Ethel Bowers; Community Music Activities—George L. Johnson.

In connection with the plans for these recreation institutes, E. T. Atwell of the National Recreation Association stated; "We experimented in the one week play institute last winter and found a popular interest in them. This group of five, in different sections of the country, will give opportunity to persons employed in work relief recreation project to receive some training which may make their work more effective in the communities where they carry on and prepare prospective workers to visualize the scope of the leisure time field. State Administrators of Relief indicate a willingness to arrange to make attendance possible to those who request the privilege."

The announcement carrying full details is available at the headquarters of the National Recreation Association, 315 Fourth Avenue, New York, or by the local city recreation departments in the places in which the institutes will be held.

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